



Vacation Bible School (VBS)

June 26th - 30th * 9:00 am. To 12:00 noon

Each summer Friendship United Methodist Church hosts a fun and spirit-filled week of Vacation Bible School (VBS) for ages 3 through completion of 5th grade. This year's theme is Maker Fun Factory and

will excite kids to learn about God through games, interactive Bible stories, music and more. To register please use our church website www.friendshipmethodist.org. The cost is \$10.00 per child which buys a T-Shirt for your child or children. Hope to see you this summer.

Volunteers for Crew Leaders are still needed. Must have completed 6th grade or older.

Must enjoy working with children in small group settings.

ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST REGISTER ON THE WEBSITE!

If you have any questions, please contact or call Ev Klahr at: 443-550-3209.

We are also in need of donations of supplies. You will find the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall along with a box to put your donations in. You can cross your name off the list when you bring in your donations.

We will be accepting donations up until June 11th. Here is what we need:

- 1 - butter tubs (empty)
- 2 - large oatmeal boxes (empty)
- 6 - rolls of clear tape
- 5 - small shipping boxes (no bigger than 11" x 8" x 8")



Practice for the Church softball league has begun on Monday nights at Wilkerson field from 5:30-7:30. Anyone interested can call Mike Edelen at 410-610-3030 or E-mail Norton1779@yahoo.com. Games are on Saturday or Sunday afternoon or evening from April until July. Schedule of games below.

Sunday, June 4	4:30 pm	Dunkirk Baptist	DDP #3
Saturday, June 24	7:00 pm	First Lutheran	DDP #3
Sunday, June 25	4:30 pm	Emmanuel Baptist	DDP #3
Sunday, July 2	2:00 pm	ALL STAR GAME	CPP #5
Sunday, July 9	4:30 pm	Grace Brethren	DDP #1
Saturday, July 15	7:00 pm	Battle Creek Christian	HPP #1
Saturday, July 22	4:30 pm	St. Nicholas	HPP #1
Sunday, July 30	2:00 pm	First Baptist	HPP #1
Fri./Sat., Aug. 4-5	t/b/d	Tournament	HPP

CPP = Cove Point Park/DDP = Dunkirk District Park/HPP = Hallowing Point Park

THE WEEK AND BEYOND AT A GLANCE

Sunday, May 21		
Morning Worship	8:30 am & 11:00 am	Sanctuary
Bible Study	9:45 am	Bishop Warman Room
Sunday School	9:45 am	Education Building
Youth Group Meeting	6:30-8:00 pm	Fellowship Hall
Monday, May 22		
Private Voice Lessons	5:45-6:30/6:30-7:15pm	Sanctuary/Upstairs Classroom
Handbell Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm	Upper Narthex
Voices In Praise Rehearsals	6:30-8:30 pm	Music Room
Finance Committee Meeting	7:30 pm	Bishop Warman Room
Tuesday, May 23		
Children's Choir Rehearsal	6:30-7:00 pm	Music Room
NO SANCTUARY CHOIR REHEARSAL TONIGHT		
Wednesday, May 24		
Church Council Meeting	7:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
Thursday, May 25		
Confirmation Class	7:30 pm	Bishop Warman Room
Friday, May 26		
Birthday Party Rain Location	9:00 am-1:00 pm	Fellowship Hall, Education Wing

Welcome Bags for Our Visitors: Welcome Friends! Friendship UMC is so glad that you are worshipping with us this morning! Please let an usher know if you are a new visitor - they have a welcome bag for you! Each bag contains information about the many programs and activities at FUMC, as well as special goodies. We hope you will visit with us and help us expand our circle of Friendship!

Children's Message Volunteer

Do you love working with FUMC's youngest members? If so, here is an opportunity just for you! Volunteers are sought to assist with the presentation of the Children's message. Please sign up on the sheet located in the Narthex or see Pastor Wayne. The only requirements are a heart for children and a desire to share easy Bible lessons with them!

**REMINDER: REGULAR YOUTH GROUP MEETING SUNDAY,
5/21/17 * 6:30pm - 8:00pm**

2017 Confirmation Class: Explore Christian Faith

All who have been baptized but not confirmed yet are invited to our four-week Confirmation Class. It will be an exciting moment for us to explore the Christian faith tradition, ask questions, express doubts, and discover what we truly believe. If you are interested, please contact the Office at your earliest convenience. We will find ways that will work best for us. Thank you!





END OF THE YEAR LASER TAG LOCK- IN INFORMATION

WHO: All Middle and High School Youth and Friends

WHAT: YOUTH GROUP LASER TAG LOCK-IN

Laser Tag, Mini-Golf, Arcade Games, Video Games (There is a quiet room at the facility for those who need to sleep)

WHERE: XP Laser Sport, 12400-B Owings Mills Boulevard, Reisterstown

WHEN: June 9, 2017 - 11:30pm - 6:00 am (Meet at FUMC at 9:30pm)

COST: \$20.00 for Friendship Youth; \$25.00 for Friends

Please respond **ASAP** if you **WILL** be attending this event, and if so, whether or not you will be bringing a friend or friends. We need to get an accurate head count so that we are sure to have enough chaperones and drivers. See Peter Bray or Donna Griffin to get the necessary paperwork!

Please turn in **ALL \$\$** and Permissions Slips **NO LATER THAN MAY 28, 2017** to either Peter Bray or Donna Griffin.

PARENTS: We would love for you to join us if you would like. We will most likely need a couple chaperones/drivers, so if you are interested, please let us know **ASAP** so that we can be sure you are current on your Safe Sanctuary forms.



Voices in Praise

Save the Date! Voices In Praise will present *Sentimental Journey: A Celebration of Swing* on Saturday, June 24 at 4pm and 7pm at Southern High School in Harwood, Maryland. This concert and silent auction event will be a swingin' good time for everyone! **Voices In Praise is looking for event sponsors (individuals or businesses), as well as items for our silent auction.** If you can help, please contact Tina Wilkerson (rtwilk92@yahoo.com or 410-257-6396) or Holly Reynolds Lee (HollyRLee@gmail.com or 301-728-1748). Thank you!

Yes, it's time to think about the summer Breakfast Club Ministry!

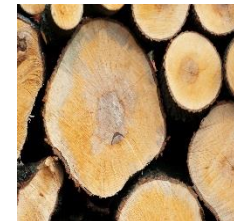
In 2011 Mt. Zion UMC began its Breakfast Club Ministry for the purpose of providing bagged breakfast meals to children in our southern end of Anne Arundel County. These children attend Lothian and Tracy's elementary schools, and often the only meals they get during their day is through the free or reduced breakfasts and lunches provided at their school.



The Breakfast Club will run for 9 weeks, from June 19 – August 18, Monday through Friday. This is 2 weeks longer than last year because schools will be ending earlier in June and the summer break has been extended until after Labor Day.

As we have done for the past few years, in addition to bagged breakfast meals, on Fridays we will also be giving a weekend bag of extra food to families. Our desire is to make sure the families have sufficient food to carry them through the weekend.

For more information, you may contact Donna at 301-399-0040 or by email d.catterton@yahoo.com. You may also call the Mt. Zion church office at 410-867-4035. **We thank you in advance for all that you can do to help as we feed God's children.**



A large tree in back of the Church office has been cut down and the wood from it has been cut and stacked along the fence. Griffin Hynes has taken some of the wood for his Eagle Scout project – creating an outdoor classroom at Tracy's Elementary School. There is still lots of wood left for anyone that would like it. Please contact the office to coordinate. Bonnie Dean 410-257-7133.

A new edition of "The Hand of Friendship" newsletter will be published in the next couple of weeks. If you have a note, article, or event that you would like to have published please submit to Bonnie Dean via email – bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org - by Monday, May 22! If there is something that you would like to see featured in the newsletter, please let Bonnie Dean know – all serious suggestions will be considered!

